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Sandra Williams
State Senator
21st District

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Ms. Mai Moore
Founder and Executive Director
Empowering Youth, Exploring Justice
3535 Perkins Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44114

Dear Ms. Moore:

I am pleased to write this letter of support for Empowering Youth, Exploring Justice (EYEJ), as you seek the necessary funding needed to continue the efforts of this organization. Your mission to empower and amplify the voices of our youth within the greater Cleveland area has continually addressed the needs and challenges facing at-risk youth.

As the Ohio State Senator representing EYEJ, I commend you on your success in developing social and emotional learning opportunities that seek to equip at-risk youth with positive life outcomes, and solutions for a better tomorrow. Additionally, your relentless efforts to empower each student you encounter have not gone unnoticed. These efforts address the various issues that impact many people within our communities of limited resources and social mobility and will continue to bridge the gap between youth and social justice. By providing the necessary tools to enhance the lives of our most vulnerable youth, you foster a welcoming environment for social justice which is the key to establishing a voice to those who are often voiceless.

Again, I want to offer my strong support for Empowering Youth, Exploring Justice request for continued funding. I look forward to working with EYEJ in the future and I am excited to see the future positive impacts your group imprints on the lives of our youth. If you have any questions or concern's regarding my support, please contact my office at (614)-466-4857.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandra R. Williams".

Sandra Williams
Ohio State Senator, District 21